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**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**November 4, 2022**  
**Itasca, IL**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Moira Szilagyi, MD, FAAP, President  
 Sandy Chung, MD, FAAP, President-elect  
 Lee Beers, MD, FAAP, Immediate Past President  
 Dennis Cooley, MD, FAAP, District VI Chairperson and Secretary/Treasurer  
 Mark Del Monte, JD, CEO/Executive Vice President  
 Wendy Davis, MD, FAAP, District I Chairperson (*virtual*)  
 Warren Seigel, MD, FAAP, District II Chairperson (*virtual*)  
 Meg Fisher, MD, FAAP, District III Chairperson (*virtual*)  
 Michelle Fiscus, MD, FAAP, District IV Chairperson  
 Lia Gaggino, MD, FAAP, District V Chairperson  
 Dennis Cooley, MD, FAAP, District VI Chairperson  
 Gary Floyd, MD, FAAP, District VII Chairperson  
 Martha Middlemist, MD, FAAP, District VIII Chairperson  
 Yasuko Fukuda, MD, FAAP, District IX Chairperson  
 Madeline Joseph, MD, FAAP, District X Chairperson  
 Constance Houck, MD, FAAP, At Large Member  
 Charles Macias, MD, FAAP, At Large Member  
 Joseph Wright, MD, FAAP, At Large Member

AGENDA ITEMS	ISSUES DISCUSSED	ACTION BY WHOM/BY WHEN
<i>Friday, November 4, 2022</i>		
<b>Call to Order and Introduction of Guests</b>	AAP President Moira Szilagyi, MD, FAAP, called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.	
<b>Statement of Voluntary Disclosure and Member Anti-Harassment Policy</b>	The Board of Directors reviewed the Academy's policy on Conflict of Interest and Voluntary Disclosure. Board members were given an opportunity to disclose any direct or indirect financial interests, or any personal, family, or other relationships that conflict (or could have the appearance of conflicting) with their duties, responsibilities, or exercise of impartial and objective judgment with respect to the meeting's agenda. The anti-harassment policy in the agenda book was referenced.	Conflicts were appropriately disclosed.
<b>Approval of Minutes from the May 2022 Board Meeting</b>	Minutes from the May 2022 Board Meeting were reviewed and approved as written.	<b>MOTION:</b> Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes.

<p><b>Remarks from the President</b> (<i>Moira Szilagyi, MD</i>)</p>	<p>Dr Szilagyi welcomed everyone to the November 2022 Board of Directors meeting, providing special gratitude to Lee Beers, MD, FAAP; Wendy Davis, MD, FAAP; and Joseph Wright, MD, FAAP; who will be rotating off of the Board on December 31, 2022. Dr Szilagyi thanked all AAP staff for the wonderful work and victories achieved since the last meeting in May 2022. Dr Szilagyi previewed the presentations that will take place later in the day, including staff updates from the Advocacy &amp; External Affairs and Convention &amp; Meeting Services teams. Dr Szilagyi also invited Heather Forkey, MD, to speak about trauma-informed care.</p>	
<p><b>AAP CEO/EVP Report</b> (<i>Mark Del Monte, JD</i>)</p>	<p>AAP CEO/Executive Vice President, Mark Del Monte, JD, provided an organizational and operational report to the Board. Mr Del Monte began by celebrating the success of the 2022 AAP National Conference &amp; Exhibition. This included more than 13,000 total registrations and 11,000 in-person attendees who took part in more than 350 sessions. Members were thrilled to be together and to re-engage across the entire AAP on so many important initiatives. Planning has already begun for the 2023 National Conference taking place in Washington, DC. An update was provided on the AAP Child Health Priorities as well as COVID-19 cases, vaccine update, and hospital admissions. It was noted that with the rising cases of RSV, the AAP launched an RSV Awareness Campaign for parents that includes social media and updated content on HealthyChildren.org. Dr Szilagyi also had an opinion piece appear in CNN. Mr Del Monte highlighted that the AAP continues to be the leading – and in many cases – the only voice speaking up for children and child health regarding topics that range from vaccines, to safe sleep, to gender-affirming care, showcasing the AAP media hits. Mr Del Monte shared that a little over 1 year ago, the AAP, the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP), and the Children’s Hospital Association (CHA) declared a National State of Emergency in Child and Adolescent Mental Health. To mark this anniversary, AAP, AACAP and CHA sent a letter with over 130 signatories to the Biden administration asking they do more to address the mental health needs of children, specifically requesting they issue a National Emergency Declaration in children’s mental health in order to galvanize existing critical funding streams and support to help ensure that all children and adolescents can access the full continuum of mental and behavioral health care from promotion and prevention to early identification and treatment. The AAP is also addressing mental health as part of a partnership with YouTube. In addition to a series of videos to boost confidence and encourage uptake of the COVID-19 vaccine, the AAP begun to roll out a series of 20 new videos on mental health, #MentalHealthMattersAAP. Mr Del Monte shared an exciting new initiative, called Upraising Healthy Children. The AAP is also exploring how to engage with teens and provide them needed health information. The next iteration of the AAP Equity Agenda workplan will be coming soon. Mr Del Monte also highlighted successes from the consumer publishing program. The AAP <i>Pediatrics On Call</i> podcast is expected to reach 1.5 million downloads by year end. David Hill, MD, FAAP, was congratulated for his work as a podcast host. It was noted that 26 policy statements, clinical guidance and technical reports were released since the May 2022 Board of Directors meeting. As of October</p>	

	<p>2022, the AAP had 65,256 members. Revenues are ahead of budget and expenses are behind budget for a margin of approximately \$1.1 million better than budget. Mr Del Monte noted that we've celebrated a number of important advocacy wins that will make a big difference for children and families. Finally, Mr Del Monte expressed his gratitude to Drs Beers, Davis, and Chung.</p>	
<p><b>AAP Advocacy Update</b> <i>(James Baumberger, Tamar Haro, Jamie Poslosky)</i></p>	<p>James Baumberger, Tamar Haro, and Jamie Poslosky joined the meeting to provide an advocacy update. Topics covered included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adolescent Reproductive Health in a Post-Roe America</li> <li>• Vaccine Advocacy</li> <li>• Gun Violence Prevention</li> <li>• Safe Sleep and Product Safety</li> <li>• Pediatric Surge</li> <li>• National Emergency in Youth Mental Health</li> <li>• Mental Health Advocacy</li> <li>• White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, &amp; Health</li> <li>• Protect Physicians, Hospitals, Patients and Families from Violence</li> <li>• Center of Excellence: Creating a Healthy Digital Ecosystem for Children and Youth</li> <li>• AAP Advocacy Guide</li> </ul>	
<p><b>NCE Update</b></p>	<p>Staff from the Convention &amp; Meeting Services team provided an update on the 2022 AAP National Conference &amp; Exhibition. The 2022 National Conference, held in Anaheim, California, October 7-11, 2022. In total, 2,297 virtual professionals and 7,099 in-person professionals participated in the conference. The National Conference Planning Group, made up of a diverse array of 26 pediatricians, plan and implement the education program each year. For 2022, the scope and size of the program was similar to the last in-person conference in 2019, including 423 sessions and events, which were presented by 536 faculty, 75 section/council programs and courses, 56 livestreamed sessions and 106 other meetings and events. The most popular sessions included topics such as: antibiotic stewardship, marijuana use, hyperbilirubinemia, food allergy, atopic dermatitis, vaccination and febrile infants. The abstract program introduced a new poster hall due to changes in Accreditation standards. The plenary sessions included many special moments- such as the President's address by Dr. Moira Szilagyi, a red-carpet and an inspiring keynote. The plenary session highlighted many important discussions, such as gun-violence, physician wellness and eliminating race-based medicine. The exhibit hall had strong sales, only slightly down from pre-pandemic exhibit numbers. On-site exhibit sales for the 2023 National Conference were strong, filling over 85% of the exhibit hall. Many exciting special events were hosted in Anaheim including president's welcome reception and kid's camp, pediatric trivia night, the Annual Business Lunch and a new closing event. Attendee engagement on social media and in person was positive and showed gratitude to the AAP for coming back together. The 2023 National Conference will be held in Washington D.C. on October 20-24, 2023. Session proposals are now being accepted through December 1, 2022.</p>	

<b>Trauma Informed Care</b>	Dr Forkey joined the meeting virtually to present on trauma informed care.	
<b>Report out from the Audit Committee</b> ( <i>Dennis Cooley, MD</i> )	<p>The Audit Committee reported that the AAP’s audit firm, Plante Moran, completed the annual audit. The auditors reported that no deficiencies in internal controls were observed or noted. It was also shared that the auditors reported no findings, no management points and gave a clean audit opinion.</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> That the Board accept the 2021-2022 financial audit.</p>	<b>MOTION:</b> Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the recommendation.
<b>Report out from the Finance and Development Committee</b> ( <i>Gary Floyd, MD</i> )	The Finance and Development Committee reviewed financial results for the end of first quarter (September 30) and preliminary October results, including NCE. The budget is currently on target for the fiscal year.	
<b>Report out from the Equity Committee</b> ( <i>Joseph Wright, MD</i> )	<p>The AAP Equity Committee provided a comprehensive update to the Board on progress that has been made since the May 2022 Board of Directors meeting. During the 2022 AAP National Conference &amp; Exhibition, several sessions focused on equity, including a plenary titled, “Eliminating Race-Based Medicine”, presented by Tiffani Johnson, MD, FAAP. The Periodicity Schedule was updated to reference screening and longitudinal guidance under a new footnote around racial socialization that is consistent with AAP policy. Dr Wright shared that he will be presenting at an American Heart Association (AHA) virtual town hall in November 2022 titled, “A Conversation about Racial and Ethnic Inequities in Pediatric Cardiac Arrest”. He also shared an update regarding AAP discussions around the definitions of “equity” and “health equity”. Dr Wright provided an update on the AAP Equity Agenda Workplan 2.0, including new goals and objectives.</p> <p><b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> That the Board approve the AAP Equity Agenda Workplan 2.0.</p>	<b>MOTION:</b> Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the recommendation.
<b>Report out from the Governance Committee</b> ( <i>Moira Szilagyi, MD</i> )	<p><b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> That the Board appoint the following new committee members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carrie Henderson, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Bioethics</li> <li>• Sara Taub, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Bioethics</li> <li>• Natasha Sriraman, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Psychosocial Aspects of Child and Family Health</li> <li>• Kevin Watt, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Drugs</li> <li>• Karla Fredricks, MD, FAAP, for the Council on Immigrant Child and Family Health</li> </ul>	<b>MOTION:</b> Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the recommendation.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kerri Machut, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Pediatric Workforce</li> <li>• Tania Fontanez, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Hospital Care</li> <li>• Jason Deen, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Native American Child Health</li> <li>• Richard Pan, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on State Government Affairs</li> <li>• Dena Hubbard, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on State Government Affairs</li> <li>• Jasmin Zavala, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Substance Use and Prevention</li> <li>• Heather Pratt-Chavez, MD, FAAP, for the Committee on Substance Use and Prevention</li> </ul>	
<b>Report out from the Member Value and Engagement Committee</b> <i>(Shelley Fiscus, MD)</i>	<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> That the Board approve the following dues waiver requests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two one-year dues waivers: 2 Fellows (\$1370)</li> <li>• One permanent dues waiver (\$685 annually)</li> <li>• One early granting of Senior Member status (\$475 annually)</li> </ul> <p><i>Fiscal Note: \$2,530 FY22/23</i></p>	<b>MOTION:</b> Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the recommendation.
<b>Report out from the Policy Committee</b> <i>(Charles Macias, MD)</i>	<p>The Policy Committee provided an update on current initiatives to align the development of new AAP policies with the strategic priorities of the organization. Charles Macias, MD, FAAP, reminded participants that the committee has oversight for the development of clinical reports, technical reports, policy statements and most recently, clinical practice guidelines. The Policy Committee is focused on improving efficiency in the time to completion of guidelines, reports and policy statements while decreasing the work burden to the volunteers who work on these products for the AAP. The Policy Committee made adjustments to the policy platform to improve access, including greater search functions, a more user friendly layout, and highlights of the most recent policy statements. Currently, at any given monthly check, the AAP has between 195 and 205 statements in development. The Policy Committee is working on opportunities for improvement, including in structure, process improvement, and ensuring standard considerations such as considerations for integrative medicine or equity. Dr Macias also shared that the committee is working to socialize metrics with a plan to build self-service analytics dashboards for aggregate and separate C/C/S viewing for tracking of the development. This will provide for ultimate transparency and assist in more timely recognition of gaps.</p>	
<b>Report out from the Strategic Planning Committee</b> <i>(Martha Middlemist, MD)</i>	<b>RECOMMENDATION:</b> That the Board approve the revised AAP Strategic Plan, effective January 1, 2023.	<b>MOTION:</b> Made, seconded, and unanimously carried to approve the recommendation.
The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM CT.		Signature: Sean Diederich, Manager, Executive Initiatives